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A Message from the Grand Knight

Dear Brother Knights,

August is upon us and the summer is winding down. As it so happens, every year this coincides with an abrupt up-tick in our calendar. To start, I would like to thank everyone who participated in our Mission from God Golf tournament this year. I was unable to attend, however by all accounts it was a very good day. We also appear to have done very well in exceeding our budgeted fundraising goal for this event. I can't thank the committee enough for all their unselfish efforts and hours of work and planning. I ask you to thank them and congratulate them when you see them.

We are about to kick off our most labor-intensive event in September—the Old Settler's Days "Brataco Stand". Please check your schedules and give any time that you can. As always the existence and success of these events is totally dependent upon your participation.

Vivat Jesus

Brian D. Miller, Grand Knight



Congratulations to the Family of the Month for August **The Mark Berkland Family**

The Mark and Karen Berkland family were elected Family of the Month at our August Meeting. As most of you know, Mark has served as Family Director since July of 2003, and is an essential part of the cooking team for the Lenten Fish Fry, as well as helping out at nearly all council functions. Karen is currently serving as co-President of the Women's Organization. The Berkland family is an asset to our council and the parish as a whole. Congratulations to the Berkland family!

Congratulations to the Knight of the Month for August **Roscoe Halsey**

Roscoe Halsey was elected Knight of the Month for August. Roscoe has been in our Council for some time, but has recently become much more active. Recent jobs for Roscoe have included taking over the lawn maintenance at the rectory and doing a beautiful job adding some landscaping to Father Frank's backyard. Congratulations Roscoe!

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What You Should Know About Mortgage Insurance

Have you purchased a new house recently? Congratulations! On a more sobering note, this is one of the biggest purchases you'll ever make – and probably came with a sizable mortgage. There's no question that such a large obligation should be factored into your life insurance planning. The real question is which type of policy would best meet your needs. "Mortgage insurance" is actually a form of decreasing-term insurance. The face amount decreases as your principal balance decreases. If you die, the balance of your mortgage will be paid off.

You can also purchase individual term life insurance with a decreasing benefit, and the Knights of Columbus offers this type of policy. Your beneficiaries could choose *not* to pay off the mortgage balance, and instead use the death benefit for some other purpose (education, retirement savings, etc.)

Never rule out permanent life insurance for mortgage protection. The fact is, many people move frequently during their adult years, often to more expensive housing. Owing a mortgage becomes a permanent obligation that doesn't diminish – and may, in fact, increase. A permanent policy would be a wise buy in such situation.

Buying a house is a hectic time. I can help make it a little bit less stressful by outlining your mortgage insurance options for you. Call me anytime.

-Kirby Schmelzle 785-830-9019

Fourth Degree Shrine Outing

The annual Fourth Degree Assembly visit to the Shrine of St. Philippine Duchesne is planned for September 17. As usual the afternoon at the Shrine will include a Mass at 4:00 PM followed by a meal for all in attendance. All members of the Third Degree Councils that make up our Assembly and the local Third Degree Councils in the area around the Shrine who help maintain the site, are invited.

The Fourth Degree would love to see a large turn out of First, Second and Third Degree members from Prince of Peace Council 7909 in attendance. If you have ever thought of membership in the Fourth Degree and wanted to learn more, this is a perfect opportunity.

Look for more information in the coming months as we work to plan other activities including site

tours and the Way of the Cross. Please RSVP to Mike Grothoff at 7 8 0 - 0 2 0 8 o r Mike.Grothoff@sbcglobal.net so we know how many to plan for.

Directions:

Go South on Hwy 169 to Hwy 7—just past Osawatomie (about 30 miles from 151st St.);

Exit and turn left (South) on Hwy 7 until you get to W 1525 RD (about 20 miles—there's a Shrine sign there...);

Turn right (West) onto W 1525 RD to the Shrine (about 5 miles on a good gravel road—Shrine will be on the South side).

-Mike Grothoff

Tootsie Roll Drive Soon

October is Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll month. We give Tootsie Rolls to the public to raise awareness that intellectually disabled men and

women in our community need our help through donations and prayers. This event will be held nationwide this year on October 14th, 15th, and 16th.

We will need volunteers to stand outside Hyvee (135th and Brougham) and Dillons (151st and Murlen). The shifts are just one hour each, between 2 and 6 p.m. on Friday, October 14th, and from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, October 15th. We hope to add Walmart also.

On Sunday, we will distribute Tootsie Rolls after each mass.

I know with all the members in our council, these shifts can be filled. Monies donated will help organizations in our community who work with the intellectually disabled. Please contact me at 913-768-6840 or by email jmkimmi@sbcglobal.net to help.

-John Kimmi

September 2005

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for August:

General—For World Youth Day: May this occasion draw young people everywhere to meet Christ and to welcome him as Lord of their life.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 <u>Labor Day</u>	6	7	8	9	10
<i>Old Settler's Days in Olathe, KS</i>						
11 Donut Sunday Corporate Communion—7:30 am Mass Reg. Mtg—8:30 am— St. Mark's room	12	13	14	15	16	17 Fourth Degree— St Phillipine Duchesne Shrine Outing
18 Donut Sunday First Degree—1:30 pm—St. Mark's Room	19 Rosary—7:00 pm— Teacher's Lounge Bus. Mtg—7:30 pm— St. Mark's room	20	21	22	23	24
25 Donut Sunday	26	27	28	29	30	

October 2005

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for August:

Mission—For Students from Mission Churches in Rome: May their studies in the Eternal City be a time of spiritual enrichment.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Donut Sunday	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Donut Sunday Corporate Communion—7:30 am Mass Reg. Mtg—8:30 am— St. Mark's room	10 Fourth Degree Knights meeting @ St. Paul's 7:30 pm	11	12	13	14 <u>Tootsie Roll Drive</u> 2 to 6 pm	15 <u>Tootsie Roll Drive</u> 8 am to 6 pm
16 Donut Sunday <u>Tootsie Roll Drive</u> After all masses <i>Craft's Cont.</i>	17 Rosary—7:00 pm— Teacher's Lounge Bus. Mtg—7:30 pm— St. Mark's room	18	19	20	21	22
23 Donut Sunday	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Donut Sunday	31					

Good of the Order

I've been a member of Council 7909 since 1988. I've held many positions within 7909 from Grand Knight to Recorder. I've chaired many different events including the Lenten Fish Fry, Tootsie Rolls and the State Convention. I've also been the Membership and Program Directors for the Council. I've enjoyed every day of my involvement and when Brian asked me to serve as Lector for this fraternal year I was delighted.

In preparing for my first "Good of the Order", I reflected on what I believe are our Council's strengths. We have a wonderful Council with many strengths but my focus is on the three that I think have been the most important in our success.

First, our focus has always been on the good of the parish. I believe that this single-minded focus has served as a unifying force for us. It has given us a reason to spend the time and energy we as Knights expend. It has unified us even when we

disagree with how best to accomplish that goal. As a result of that focus we have been blessed with the strong support of our pastor and the members of our faith community. If we lose that focus we risk losing their support.

Second, we have always been blessed with great leadership springing up from our ranks. The type of men who are willing to devote a great deal of time and energy over years of service, through the officer ranks or as chairmen and directors of our various events and programs, in service to the Knights of Columbus and our parish. There are no greater examples of this type of dedication than Hank Stecher and Bert Rohlman— Brother Knights who passed away this summer.

Third, we have leaders who willingly step aside and allow new leadership the opportunity to lead. They don't leave never to return, they simply step aside allowing others to lead, offering only their guidance and support. Every Grand Knight before me and those since I served has felt it

was their duty to respect the traditions of the Council and to build upon the legacy of their predecessor. Not every Council has a culture where new ideas are welcomed. We are blessed at 7909 to have built such a climate.

Our focus on the good of the parish and our willingness to serve unselfishly promotes UNITY and FRATERNITY and is why I feel they are our greatest strengths. With those two principles, we have two of the three principles demanded of Third Degree Knights. Keep up the great work Council 7909 and pray that our Council may ever exemplify these principles.

-Mike Grothoff

Council Lectorer

From the editor:

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